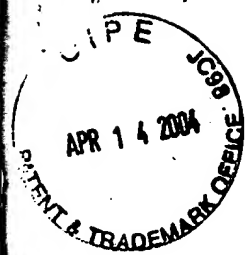


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In response to the Office Action dated January 14, 2004, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith.

REMARKS

Claims 1-3 and 5-15 are all the claims pending in the application.

Applicants thank the Examiner for initialing the Information Disclosure Statement filed June 20, 2000.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph

All of the claims, including canceled claim 4, are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. During patent examination, the pending claims must be given their broadest

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